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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b))

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted after the mailing date of a first Office Action on-the-merits or a first Office Action after filing a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 or a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), but before the mailing date of: i) a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113; ii) a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311; or iii) an action that otherwise closes prosecution on the application. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$180.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) for consideration of the items on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

A concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language document or other information is as follows (37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)):

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An English translation is provided.

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Applicants note that an English-language translation of Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open Publication No. 54-110424 is cited on the enclosed Form 1449. This reference was cited by the Examiner on a PTO Form 892 filed with the Office Action mailed May 21, 2001. Applicants point out that this translation is not certified as accurate; however, Applicants have no reason to believe it is inaccurate. It is submitted for the Examiner's convenience.

In addition, an article entitled Coreless Planar Printed-Circuit-Board (PCB) Transformers -- A Fundamental Concept for Signal and Energy Transfer is also cited on the enclosed Form 1449. This document, published by the inventors subsequent to the filing of the pending application, may prove illustrative, and is also provided for the Examiner's convenience.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

Respectfully submitted,



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